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SUBJECT: POTENTIAL VISIT OF MR. A. TRAPERO-BALLESTERO
OF UNESCO SECRETARIAT TO U.S. UNDER INTER-
NATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM

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1. PERMDEL EXTENDED INVITATION PER REFTTEL ON 10 MARCH TO TRAPERO. AFTER CONSIDERABLE DELAY TRAPERO INFORMED PERMDEL THAT DUE TO HEAVY WORKLOAD ADG FOR EDUCATION HAD ADVISED HIM THAT IF HE ACCEPTED IT SHOULD BE ON HIS ANNUAL LEAVE. PERMDEL THEN EXTENDED OFFICIAL INVITATION ON 14 JUNE TO TRAPERO THROUGH DG. IN RESPONSE, DG SIGNED LETTER DRAFTED IN EDUCATION SECTOR SAYING SUCH A VISIT WAS NOT NECESSARY, BUT TRAPERO COULD ACCEPT INVITATION IN HIS PERSONNEL CAPACITY. TRAPERO WAS NOT CONSULTED AND WAS EMBARRASSED.
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SED. TRAPERO CANNOT ACCEPT AT THIS TIME AS HE MUST USE HIS ANNUAL LEAVE TO COMPLETE HIS PH.D. DISSERTATION. HE ALSO FEELS THAT UNESCO SHOULD NOT REQUIRE THAT IF HE ACCEPTS, IT SHOULD BE IN HIS PERSONAL CAPACITY. PERMDEL CONCURS.

2. AS RESULT OF PERMDEL CONSULTATION WITH TRAPERO,

TRAPERO TENTATIVELY AGREES TO STOP IN WASHINGTON DC FOR THREE TO FIVE DAYS "LAST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER" FOLLOWING A UNESCO MISSION TO COSTA RICA. PURPOSE OF VISIT WOULD BE TO MEET WITH AS MANY PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OFFICIALS AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING CONTROVERSIAL PROBLEMS OF CONVENTION ON RECOGNITION OF STUDIES, DIPLOMAS, AND DEGREES IN STATES OF EUROPEAN REGION. IF DEPT/USOE AGREE, PERMDEL WILL CONFIRM DETAILS WITH TRAPERO UPON HIS RETURN FROM LEAVE EARLY TO MID-SEPTEMBER AND INFORM DEPT/USOE.

3. TRAPERO GREATLY APPRECIATES INVITATION EXTENDED TO HIM AND REGRETS UNESCO'S RESPONSE.

4. PERMDEL RECOMMENDS THAT INVITATION TO TRAPERO TO VISIT U.S. UNDER INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM BE OFFERED AGAIN IN JANUARY 1979. TRAPERO FEELS THAT WORKLOAD WILL BE LESS AND THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO VISIT IN FEBRUARY OR MARCH 1979 WITH DG CONCURRENCE.
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